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SECONDARY CELL AND METHOD OF PRODUCING THE SAME

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

November 14, 2002

Sir:

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REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

November 145, 2002

Sir:

In reply to the Examiner's Office Action dated August 16, 2002, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 9 and 10 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein.

Please add the following claims:

--15. A graphite material for use in forming a negative electrode of a lithium ion secondary cell which is capable of occluding or releasing lithium ions, wherein said graphite material has adsorbed or is coated with a layer of surface active material that (1) has not been graphitized by heat treatment and (2)

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